

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as shown below, in which deletions are indicated by strikethrough and/or double brackets, and additions are indicated by underscoring. Please add new claims 19 and 20. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Claim 1 (currently amended). An anti-theft device comprising:

- an anti-theft locking mechanism;
- a remote control;
- a receiver that receives a locking release signal transmitted from the remote control;
- a controller that releases locking by the locking mechanism according to the locking release signal; and
- a locking release mechanism that bypasses the controller and mechanically unlocks the locking mechanism by manual operation of a dedicated key in a vehicle;

the locking release mechanism being normally covered with a cover member of the vehicle .

Claim 2 (currently amended). An anti-theft device in a vehicle according to Claim 1, wherein the cover member includes

a cover which covers the locking release mechanism, and ~~can be~~ is selectively opened and closed.

Claim 3 (currently amended). An anti-theft device in a vehicle according to Claim 1, wherein the locking release mechanism is provided with a key cylinder into which the dedicated key can be inserted; and

the key cylinder is arranged in a position in which the dedicated key ~~may be inserted~~ is insertable therein substantially upwardly from beneath when the key cylinder is viewed from the side.

Claim 4 (original). An anti-theft device in a vehicle according to Claim 1, wherein the cover member comprises a front cowl of the vehicle.

Claim 5 (currently amended). An anti-theft device in a vehicle according to Claim 2, wherein the cover member further includes a latch for ~~normally~~ selectively maintaining the cover in a closed position.

Claim 6 (currently amended). An anti-theft device in a vehicle according to Claim 2, wherein the cover remains connected to the cover member when the cover is in an open position ~~of the cover~~.

Claim 7 (currently amended). An anti-theft device in a vehicle according to Claim 1, wherein the anti-theft device is operatively associated with at least one of a steering handle ~~or~~ and a seat of the motorcycle.

Claim 8 (currently amended). An anti-theft device in a vehicle according to Claim 2, wherein the locking release mechanism is provided with a key cylinder into which the dedicated key ~~can be~~ inserted is insertable; and

the key cylinder is arranged in a position in which the dedicated key ~~may be~~ is inserted therein substantially upwardly from beneath when the key cylinder is viewed from the side.

Claim 9 (currently amended). A motorcycle comprising:

an anti-theft locking mechanism;

a remote control;

a receiver that receives a locking release signal transmitted from the remote control;

a controller that releases locking by the locking mechanism according to the locking release signal; and

a locking release mechanism independent of an ignition system of the motorcycle, the locking release mechanism including a dedicated key that unlocks the locking mechanism by manual operation of the dedicated key;

the locking release mechanism being normally covered with a cover member of the motorcycle.

Claim 10 (currently amended). A motorcycle according to Claim 9, wherein the cover member includes a cover which covers the locking release mechanism, and ~~can be~~ is selectively

manually opened and closed.

Claim 11 (currently amended). A motorcycle according to Claim 9, wherein the locking release mechanism is provided with a key cylinder into which the dedicated key ~~can be inserted~~ is insertable; and

the key cylinder is arranged in a position in which the dedicated key ~~may be~~ is inserted therein substantially upwardly from beneath when the key cylinder is viewed from the side.

Claim 12 (original). A motorcycle according to Claim 9, wherein the cover member comprises a front cowl of the motorcycle.

Claim 13 (original). A motorcycle according to Claim 10, wherein the cover member further includes a latch for normally maintaining the cover in a closed position.

Claim 14 (currently amended). A motorcycle according to Claim 10, wherein the cover remains connected to the cover member when the cover is in an open position ~~of the cover~~.

Claim 15 (original). A motorcycle according to Claim 10, wherein the cover is pivotally connected to the cover member.

Claim 16 (currently amended). A motorcycle according to Claim 9, wherein the anti-theft device is operatively associated with at least one of a steering handle ~~or~~ and a seat of the

motorcycle.

Claim 17 (currently amended). A motorcycle according to Claim 9, including two of the anti-theft devices, which are respectively associated with a steering handle and a seat of the motorcycle, wherein the remote control provides means for selectively controlling the seat independently of the anti-theft locking mechanism.

Claim 18 (currently amended). A motorcycle according to Claim 10, wherein the locking release mechanism is provided with a key cylinder into which the dedicated key ~~can be inserted~~ is insertable; and

the key cylinder is arranged in a position in which the dedicated key ~~may be~~ is inserted therein substantially upwardly from beneath when the key cylinder is viewed from the side.

Claim 19 (new). In a two wheeled motor vehicle comprising a cover member, an ignition system, and a steering system,

the ignition system comprising a first key dedicated to the ignition, and an ignition switch,

the improvement comprising an anti-theft device, the anti-theft device comprising:

an anti-theft locking mechanism operably connected to the steering system;

a remote control;

a receiver that receives a locking release signal transmitted from the remote control;

a controller that releases locking of the anti theft locking mechanism according to the locking release signal; and

a locking release mechanism that unlocks the anti theft locking mechanism by manual operation of a second key that is dedicated to the locking release mechanism; the locking release mechanism being selectively covered with the cover member of the vehicle.

Claim 20 (new). An anti-theft device comprising:

an anti-theft locking mechanism;

a remote control;

a receiver that receives a locking release signal transmitted from the remote control;

a controller that releases locking by the anti-theft locking mechanism according to the locking release signal;

an emergency locking release mechanism; and

a dedicated key for use with the locking release mechanism;

the locking release mechanism comprising

a key cylinder configured to receive the dedicated key therein, and

a mechanical connection between the key cylinder and the anti-theft locking mechanism,

wherein when the dedicated key is manually operated within the key cylinder, the key cylinder mechanically drives the anti-theft locking mechanism to an unlocked state.